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SUBJECT: AUB SEEKS ASSISTANCE FROM SAUDI ARABIA

1. DAVID DODGE, RETIRING PRESIDENT OF TAPLINE AND A TRUSTEE OF AUB, CALLED CHARGE AUGUST 4 TO INFORM HIM THAT AUB IS PLANNING TO SEND TEAM OF THREE OR FOUR MEN HEADED BY DR. SAMIH ALAMI, PROFESSOR OF CLINICAL PATHOLOGY AT AUB HOSPITAL, TO SAUDI ARABIA WITHIN NEXT TWO WEEKS TO SEEK UP TO \$10 MILLION FROM SAUDI ROYAL FAMILY. DR. ALAMI'S GROUP WOULD LIKE TO CALL ON AMBASSADOR PORTER IN JIDDA BEFORE SEEING MEMBERS OF SAUDI ROYAL FAMILY, TO SSEEK HIS ADVICE AND ASSISTANCE. DODGE ASKED IF THIS EMBASSY WOULD GIVE DR. ALAMI LETTER OF INTRODUCTION TO AMBASSADOR PORTER, WHICH WE WILL DO.

2. DODGE ASKED THAT USG NOT MENTION THIS VISIT TO SAG UNTIL AFTER DRR. ALAMI AND HIS GROUP HAVE SEEN AMB PORTER.

3. DODGE ALSO SAID AUB OFFICIALS HAD ALREADY BEEN IN TOUCH WITH SAG FINANCE MINISTER (WHO IS REPORTEDLY IN LONDON) AND WITH SAG EMBASSY THERE. AUB DELEGATION WILL BE CARRYING CAREFULLY PREPARED REPORT SHOWING THAT AUB DEFFCIT WILL BE \$10 MILLION BY JUNE 1977 AS

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